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Application of
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Serial No. 08/580,493
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For: PROCESS FOR MAKING A
VERSATILE CLAMPING DEVICE
DESIGNED TO HOLD OBJECTS
WITHOUT DAMAGING THEM, SUCH
A DEVICE AND ITS USE

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REQUEST FOR AN ACTION CORRECTION AND FOR RESTARTING THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An endeavor has been made to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (b) for answering the Office action of October 17, 1996. But regarding the objection raised at its section 3 as to the substitute specification, that has turned out to be impossible by lack of information.

In the only instance the Examiner would have liked to cite, the line numbers are given but not the number of the page and no more the text which would not be in proper idiomatic English. Even if the lines 31 and 32 given in this instance are considered with goodwill for the first page of said specification, no clue is got. These two lines of the first page of said specification pertain to two different sentences. It is no more possible to take care of the requirement which is made at lines 1 and 2 on the following page of same section (for this action it is also impossible to give a page number because all the pages have the same number 2 on top they are referring to the previous application number). No instance has been given despite what is required in MPEP 702.01 and MPEP 707.07 (a). It is the examiner's first letter for said new continuous application (for which the same filing fee has been paid than for other patent applications) and allowable subject matter has been found as it is noticed in section 2 of said letter. So a proper form such as Form PTO-152 listing the informalities should have been transmitted with this letter and it has not been. As a result, the applicant requests according to MPEP 702.01, MPEP 707.07 (a) and MPEP 710.06 that the action should be corrected and the period for response should be restarted to run from the date the aforesaid errors are corrected.

Respectfully submitted

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